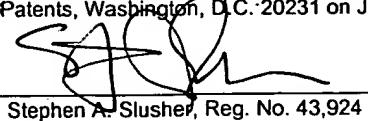




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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 14, 2001, please amend the above-identified application in accordance with the following instructions:

1. Amending the claims.

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